

# ROCC's GENERAL PRICER FOR 1988



*First winner of the new competition ROCC's General Pricer of the Year launched in 1988, is (right) Karen Nichols from PPA Liverpool 9. Janet Wailes came third representing Tyne 3. Alison Bamforth from Sheffield 10 finished second but was unable to attend the presentation.*

**A**s reported in the last issue of Information Management, a new competition was introduced by ROCC last year for the Prescription Pricing Authority (PPA).

The competition for the PPA is based on the highest number of prescriptions calculated by the contestants, the final result being based on the following:

- i) Three months output arbitrarily selected for each division, but unknown to the pricers.
- ii) average actual output of each contestant.

- iii) 100 prescriptions are deducted for every .1% error.
- iv) the output figure was multiplied by the actual number of days worked during 1988.

From this statistical information the winners were chosen.

The results for 1988 are: 1st Karen Nicholls from PPA Liverpool 9 who priced **1,413,130** prescriptions; 2nd Alison Bamforth from Sheffield 10 with **1,246,554** and 3rd from Tyne 3 – Janet Wailes with a score of **995,048**.

At a presentation at ROCC's Crawley headquarters on March 8, finance director Derek Strath warmly congratulated the winners on their magnificent finishing

figures and presented holiday vouchers to Nicholls £400, the second prize of £100 was accepted on Bamforth's behalf by her divisional manager, John Read and £50 to Wailes. The winner also received a silver cup and her divisional manager Anita Benn was presented with a shield. These they keep for one year. The chief executive of the PPA Alan Hilton was present at the awards ceremony together with computer services manager Douglas Ball and divisional manager Elizabeth Stobbert from Tyne 3. Certificates of achievement were also awarded to 12 general pricers. ■